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In re Application of:

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Device and Method**

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CORRECTED APPLICATION PAPERS

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In response to the Notice to File Corrected Application Papers mailed December 30, 2008, the due date for response being February 28, 2009, Applicants submit herewith the following:

1. Amendment to the Drawings on page 2 of this paper;
2. Replacement Sheet including Figs. 1, 2, and 3; and
3. A copy of the Notice to File Corrected Application Papers.

Amendment to the Drawings

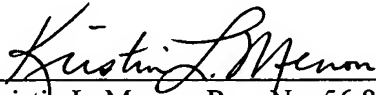
Applicants received a Notice to File Corrected Application Papers from the Office of Patent Publications, which indicated that Figure 2 had cut off data as filed on April 11, 2008. Applicants hereby submit a replacement sheet including Figs. 1, 2, and 3 in compliance with 37 CFR 1.121. Accordingly, Applicants believe that the informality has been corrected with the filing of this Amendment.

FEE AUTHORIZATION and REQUEST FOR TIME EXTENSION

Applicants believe that no extensions of time are required for entrance of this paper. If, however, any time extensions are required, such time extensions are hereby requested. If any fees not submitted with this response are required, please take such fees from Applied Biosystems Deposit Account No. 01-2213 (Order No. 4320C1).

Respectfully submitted,

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Notice of Allowance Mailed

This application has been accorded an Allowance Date and is being prepared for issuance. The application, however, is incomplete for the reasons below.

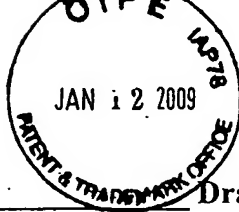
Applicant is given 2 months from the mail date of this Notice within which to correct the informalities indicated below. If the informality pertains to the abstract, specification (including claims) or drawings, the informality must be corrected with an amendment in compliance with 37 CFR 1.121 (or, if the application is a reissue application, 37 CFR 1.173). Such an amendment may be filed after payment of the issue fee if limited to correction of informalities noted herein. See Waiver of 37 CFR 1.312 for Documents Required by the Office of Patent Publication, 1280 Off. Gaz. Patent Office 918 (March 23, 2004). In addition, if the informality is not corrected until after payment of the issue fee, for purposes of 35 U.S.C. 154(b)(1)(iv), "all outstanding requirements" will be considered to have been satisfied when the informality has been corrected. A failure to reply will result in the application being ABANDONED. This period for reply is NOT extendable under 37 CFR 1.136(a).

See attachment.

Figures 2 have cut off data. Please provide replacement drawings.

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Application No. 10/731420 Drawings filed 04/11/2008

IDENTIFICATION OF DRAWING DEFICIENCIES

- ☐ There is a hole or the image thereof within the illustration. FIG(s) _____
- ☐ The character of the lines, numbers and letters is poor. FIG(s) _____
- ☐ The illustration is penetrated or traversed by a solid or broken line that is not intended to be part of the drawing, such as a dark line caused by a flaw in the copying process. FIG(s) _____
- ☐ An ink stamp or an image obscures part of the illustration. FIG(s) _____
- ☐ The drawing is marred by black smudges, obliterations, or fax/copier marks. FIG(s) _____
- ☐ Figure numbers are duplicated or missing. FIG(s). _____
- ☐ Numbers, letters, or reference characters in the drawing have been crossed out by hand or are illegibly handwritten. FIG(s) _____
- ☐ The drawing's background shows that the original drawing was made on graph paper or other paper with a pattern or decoration. FIG(s) _____
- ☐ The FIG. number label is placed in a location that causes the drawing to be read upside down. FIG(s) _____
- ☐ Data, a reference number, or part of the drawing is truncated or missing. FIG(s) _____
- ☐ The drawing is continued onto a second page (or more) without proper labeling under 37 CFR 1.84(u)(1). FIG(s) _____
- ☐ The drawing and/or the FIG. label contain(s) foreign language. FIG(s) _____
- ☐ Color drawings are present in this application but the following 37 CFR 1.84(a) requirements have not been met*:
 - ☐ Petition filed
 - ☐ Petition fee
 - ☐ 3 sets of color drawings
 - ☐ Color drawing paragraph

*If color drawings are not elected, then applicant **must respond** so stating. Also, references to color drawings in the specification, if any, must be amended.381.

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